

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 977
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A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Dr. Bobby G. Webb
upon being named the 2006 Tennessee Parent
Teacher Association Superintendent of the Year.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to specially recognize those outstanding educators and administrators who have devoted their careers to providing the highest quality education for Tennessee's students; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Bobby G. Webb is one such estimable administrator who has distinguished himself as a professional of the greatest dedication, ability, and integrity and has performed his duties with uncommon devotion and enthusiasm, thereby warranting his selection as the 2006 Tennessee Parent Teacher Association's Superintendent of the Year; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Webb is an extremely talented and compassionate educator who works assiduously to motivate the students of Shelby County to reach their full potential, both as scholars and as citizens; and

WHEREAS, a model student in his youth, Dr. Webb distinguished himself academically, earning a Bachelor of Science degree in Music Education at the University of Tennessee-Martin in 1970 and graduating with a Master's of Science degree in Educational Administration and Supervision from the University of Tennessee-Martin in 1979; and

WHEREAS, as he advanced in his career, Bobby Webb never failed to remember the immense value of education or neglected to include its pursuit in his personal experience; he graduated from the University of Memphis in 1997 with an Education Doctorate in Educational Leadership and Policy Studies; and

WHEREAS, before becoming Superintendent of Shelby County Schools, Dr. Webb worked as an Instrumental Music Teacher for Humboldt City Schools from 1974-1977,

Instrumental Music Teacher and Assistant High School Principal at Lauderdale County Schools from 1977-1988, and Superintendent for Lauderdale County Schools from 1988-2002; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Webb has worked diligently at Shelby County Schools, supervising curriculum development, school improvement plans, and professional development, and since that time, he has earned the respect and admiration of students, parents, and teachers alike for the unsurpassed quality of his service; and

WHEREAS, this exceptional administrator has long been recognized by his peers and students for his incomparable excellence; he was named an Honorary Life Member of the Tennessee Parent Teacher Association in 2003, and he was also selected for the University of Memphis Outstanding Graduate Award in 1997, the Harvard University National Exemplary Superintendents Congress in 1996, and the National Award for Technology Leadership by the American Association of School Administrators; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to honors and accolades, Dr. Webb is the only superintendent to be honored twice as the Tennessee Superintendent of the Year by the Tennessee Organization of School Superintendents; and

WHEREAS, a committed community servant, he has served as a member of the Board of Directors for the Lauderdale County Adult Basic Education Council, a member of the Board of Directors and President of the Lauderdale County Chamber of Commerce, a member of the Board of Directors of the United Way of Memphis, a member of the Lauderdale County Health Council, a member of the Baptist Memorial Hospital Advisory Board, a member and Paul Harris Fellow of the Ripley Rotary Club, a member and President of the Downtown Memphis Rotary Club, a member of the State Technology Center Acquisition Committee, and a member of the Tennessee Technology Center Institutional Advisory Committee; and

WHEREAS, donating his time and many talents to numerous professional organizations and activities, Dr. Webb has served as President of the Tennessee Organization of School Superintendents, a member of the Board of Directors for the Tennessee Organization of School Superintendents, a member of the National Advisory Board for the American Association of School Administrators, a member of the University of Memphis School Administrator Internship Advisory Council, a member of the State Board of Education High School Gateway and End of

Course Exam Task Force, a member of the Tennessee Academy for School Leaders Board of Control, a member of the State Board of Education's Tennessee Basic Education Program Advisory Committee, a member of the Tennessee Academy for School Leaders, a Trained Assessor for the Superintendent Leadership Development Program, a School Site Assessor for the Southern Region Education Board, State Department of Education's Regional Co-Chair for the Tennessee School to Career Initiative, Leader of the TSBA Student Congress of Policies in Education, and a member of the Tennessee Executive Development Institute Academy for School Leaders; and

WHEREAS, his many professional and civic accomplishments aside, he is most thankful for the love and companionship he shares with his wife, Peggy, and their marriage has been blessed with three sons, Alan Webb, a CPA and University of Tennessee-Knoxville graduate, Corum Webb, a third-year law student at the University of Tennessee School of Law, and Richard Webb, a senior at Mississippi State University; and

WHEREAS, a devout Christian, Bobby Webb is an active member of the Trinity Baptist Church, which he faithfully serves as a choir member; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Webb truly serves as an inspiration to his colleagues and students alike, and his friendship and counsel are highly valued by those who are fortunate to know him; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Webb exemplifies the spirit and allegiance to education, community, and family that are characteristic of a true Tennessean, and this legislative body wishes to specially recognize his meritorious service to Tennessee's youth; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we recognize and congratulate Dr. Bobby G. Webb upon being named the 2006 Tennessee Parent Teacher Association's Superintendent of the Year, commend his dutiful service to the youth of Tennessee, and wish him every success in all his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.